



# *The Good Shepherd News*

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## A Word from the Pastor

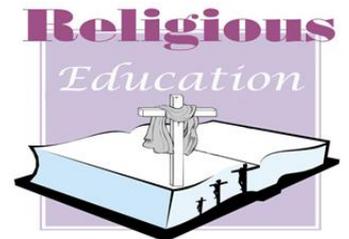


Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Hebrew club, anyone? Sounds like a crazy idea. But maybe not.

I'm endeavoring, with some degree of success, to re-learn the Biblical Hebrew (Not Modern Hebrew. That's a different language.) in an effort to be able to study the Old Testament at a higher level. For the past several months, the thought kept occurring to me: Why not invite others along for the ride.

There is absolutely no reason for Biblical illiteracy in today's Western culture. We have as many English Bible translations as there are publishing houses, denominations, and even informal study groups on the internet to create them. Resources on the net, on your phone, on the bookshelf abound.



This is also true for original language study of the Scriptures. Never in my life have there been so many original language resources available, and in many cases freely, to so many people.

So, again, Hebrew anyone?

We live in a time when it seems as if there are so many attacks on our faith. But we also live in a time when God is equipping us to deal with them. We have the opportunity to prepare for mission in ways possible only at the dawn of Christianity. Let's take advantage of this.



Let me know if you are interested in joining me on this quest to dig deeper into God's Word. Perhaps we can form a study group of sorts.

In His Love,

**BRUCE ALBERTS**



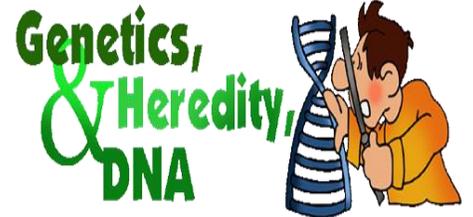
## Helpful Health Hints By The Congregation Nurse

Have you ever known anyone who blushes a lot or has very rosy cheeks? It could be a condition known as ROSACEA.

Rosacea is a common skin disease. It often begins with a tendency to blush, or flush more easily than other people. The redness can spread to the forehead and chin, or even to the ears, chest and back. Most people who get Rosacea are:

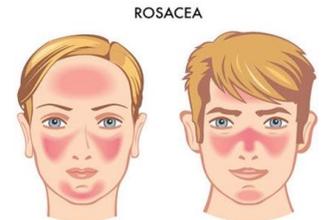
- Between 30-50 years of age
- Fair-skinned and often have blond hair and blue eyes.
- From Celtic or Scandinavian ancestry
- Likely to have someone in the family with Rosacea
- Likely to have had lots of acne.

Anyone, including children, can get Rosacea and there are no definite causes known. We do know that rosacea runs in families, but there are few other facts at this time.



There are so many symptoms associated with rosacea that they have sub-groups but the most common symptoms include:

- Redness or flushing in the center of the face
- Visible "spider veins", broken blood vessels
- Swollen, sensitive skin
- Dry skin, roughness, or scaling.
- Oily skin



Diagnosis is made by eliminating other medical conditions that can mimic rosacea.

Treatment cannot cure rosacea but it can help reduce symptoms, and prevent it from worsening.

- Finding your "triggers" can make a big difference in treatment. Spicy foods, caffeine, alcohol, becoming overheated, are a few examples.
- Sun. Skin may be sensitive so wear a sunscreen SPF 30 or higher whenever you go out and wear a hat.
- Use skin products that are mild and wash gently to prevent flare-ups.

There is no cure for rosacea, but you can successfully control it. Making lifestyle changes can prevent flare-ups and also prevent rosacea from worsening. A Dermatologist is able to answer all your questions and concerns. Left untreated, Rosacea can get worse.

Barbara

(adapted from Rosacea, public diseases/acne/rosacea)

Our next Lunch Bunch Will Be Meeting at The Great Outdoors, on Thursday October 25th @ 11:30. Come And Join Us For Good Food and Fellowship. All is welcome. Any questions. Call the Gulliksons at 267-0777. Please see the signup sheet on the board in the Narthex to sign up.



## From the Thrivent Corner:



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**Thrivent Financial**, as a non-profit organization, has many ways of giving back to the community those tax dollars that it does not have to send to the IRS. If you are a **Thrivent member**, you have several opportunities to choose where the Thrivent monies are spent.

One way is through forming **Thrivent Action Teams**. Our Congregation and Preschool have benefited from many fund-raisers and service projects over the past years, and will continue in the future. Thrivent Action Seed Money of \$250 for each project has provided mulch for the preschool playground, Food Pantry supplies, help to the Youth Group, curriculum and project supplies for ELC teachers, and other many other projects. Thrivent's help has been invaluable to our church and school through Action Teams and YOU are to be commended for taking advantage of this opportunity. Depending on your personal Thrivent account, you are eligible to apply for **one or two** Thrivent Action Team funds of \$250 each calendar year. Within this congregation, that is a potential pot of gold for our church!

If you have an idea for a project and want help creating your Action Plan, please call me at 321.225.4242, and I will walk you through the process. It's fairly simple and is done on-line. When you are approved, Thrivent will send you a **gift card for \$250**, and whatever other supplies you ask for, such as t-shirts, invitations, thank-you cards, etc. You then use the gift card to pay for your "idea in action" and submit a simple report of what you have done and how you used the money. It's already October, so don't lose your opportunity for **2018**

**Thrivent Action Team funds!**



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Blessings,  
Carol Steller

### October Birthdays



3 <sup>rd</sup> Vivian Hirschert	19 <sup>th</sup> Elaine Eichen
7 <sup>th</sup> Benji Brenneke	23 <sup>rd</sup> Dick Steller
11 <sup>th</sup> Charles Collins	25 <sup>th</sup> Carol Rector
11 <sup>th</sup> Saydey Hall	25 <sup>th</sup> Anne Dobbins
14 <sup>th</sup> Ginger Dixon	26 <sup>th</sup> Linda Francis
15 <sup>th</sup> Lorae Bremer	30 <sup>th</sup> Al Bremer
16 <sup>th</sup> Mary Karrick	30 <sup>th</sup> Emily Brenneke
18 <sup>th</sup> Michael Fredericks	

### October Anniversaries



10 <sup>th</sup>	Sam & Bev Torbert
10 <sup>th</sup>	Joe & Helen Laberge
11 <sup>th</sup>	Brad & Riva McCain
15 <sup>th</sup>	Pastor Bruce & Suzanne Alberts
31 <sup>st</sup>	Charles & Carolyn Tuck

We join in thanking God for His blessings in the past. We ask Him to keep you in His Grace and love in the future. If your birthday or anniversary was not listed correctly, please contact the office.



## FROM YOUR HISTORIAN



This month the Newsletter's research discloses the Bohlmann name, well known in the LCMS which had Dr. Ralph Bohlmann as its president about twenty years ago. It's also a familiar name at Good Shepherd being one of our most active members, SHARON BOHLMANN, who does many things including driving one of the vans. Sharon's late husband, Dick, was a member of the famous family, being a cousin of the Synod's president (and there are also four Bohlmann daughters with married surnames now: Lisa, Lesley, Laura and Linda). Dick was one of a Bohlmann family of fourteen children!

There were also a few other BOHLMANNs here in the past twenty-five years: Alfred and Bertha, along with one daughter. Julia Bohlmann Cosky, a local attorney. Another daughter, Sharon Bohlmann Anderson (married to the Rev. Dr. Jon Anderson) visited Titusville various times during her father's last illness and subsequent death, Pastor Jon officiating at the funeral at the Newcomer Funeral Home. The senior Bohlmanns had retired to Florida and lived in a beautiful mobile home in the River Forest Park on the river. Sadly, as age took over, they became shut-ins; but Julia attended church as long as she could, usually sitting near the late Ray at the early service. After the deaths of both Alfred and Julia, Bertha could no longer remain here alone and moved to Fort Wayne, Indiana, where she lived with the Andersons for a while, eventually entering a care facility (after she turned 100!). Bertha's remains were returned to Titusville and buried next to Alfred in Oaklawn Cemetery. Sharon, another Bohlmann relative who happened to be in Florida at the time, and I attended the burial. I keep in touch with the Andersons and shall place Pastor Jon's recent letter of information with the Bohlmann papers. While still living, the Bohlmanns were among Good Shepherd shut-ins who received hand-delivered tapes of the pastor's Sunday sermon, usually that afternoon. Brad Downs did the taping, while the late Al Netzer, Elfie Kebalka and unidentified others delivered tapes and equipment.

There were also a few Bohlmann winter visitors who visited Sharon and spent a season at the same campground as Don and MaryAnn Kalwat. Of course. retired Pastor Gordon (but works with Church Extension) and Arlene worshipped at Good Shepherd! Thanks for reading all this. I'm glad the name wasn't Smith, Jones or Brown although we do have Terry and Jerry Jones in Good Shepherd's membership!

Blessings to all the BOHLMANNs and Everyone Else,  
from the Historian.



**November Newsletter Articles will be due no later than Thursday, October 18. A big thank you to all those that contribute to this monthly newsletter. Please email articles to [office@titusvillelutherans.org](mailto:office@titusvillelutherans.org) or leave a hard copy on the desk in the church office.**

## BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST

Prayer, we hear about it all the time. People will say I'll pray for you at the drop of the hat. But do they really pray? Do we pray enough, or at all! Jesus tells us all through the Bible to pray as a believer and it will be answered. Our Father will answer our prayers in his time.



But if you're like me I always feel our Lord is much too busy to be bothered with me. Leave it at the cross, He will take care of it. Only most Christians don't turn to prayer feeling they can deal with the problem their self. Yet when all else fails, then we turn to prayer.

I don't know about you, but many times over the years my wife and I have been guilty of just that. When all else fails pray Sometimes in minutes other times hours or days. We look at each other in amazement and "Walla", resolved! You know without a doubt, it's God.



Don't get me wrong, we are not trophy Christians though we believe and try our best to be good Christians. That's all that Jesus tells us, "believe". Now take a moment and pray, thank you Lord for all you gives us. In Jesus name.



Anonymous

## The Lay Leadership Summit

The Lay Leadership Summit was held on August 23rd at the Embassy Suites Orlando Lake Buena Vista Resort. Registered on arrival at 6:00 PM and the opening worship started at 7:00. A welcome was given by Florida Georgia District President Greg Walton. He talked about us being a chosen generation.

Some of his points:

- 1- God chose you and me.
- 2- Be transformed to discern what is the will of God. Discover the gifts God has assigned to me.
- 3- How far am I willing to go to discover gifts God has given? And how to use them?
- 4- We have indeed a gifted body--Lets use it for the purpose God intended.
- 5- Acts 1:8 "When the Holy Spirit has come upon you, you will receive power to testify about me."



The keynote speaker for the evening was Rev. Dr. David H. Benke and his theme was ETERNAL DESTINATION.

- 1- Christ turned everything upside down--First will be last and last will be first.
- 2- Outside-inside out. Christ was crucified, died, buried and then risen--So have I.
- 3- Romans 6:34 "You have become a part of Him, so to speak, when He died. Now you share His new life and shall rise as He did."
- 4- "Back to the future" That is us with Christ in us. Walk in newness of life as the Holy Spirit dwells in us.
- 5- Walk with Gratitude--So much to be thankful for.
- 6- Walk with humility--Be humble as we are nothing on our own.
- 7- Be a risk taker--Paul is a good example. Make yourself available for God to work in you.



The next day we had workshops to attend and they were all good. But enough for this time--more to follow. Tom

# STEWARDSHIP CORNER



FINANCES FOR AUGUST 2018 (\$)

ATTENDANCE INFORMATION

AUGUST 2017

AUGUST 2018

WORSHIP SERVICE TOTALS (AVERAGE)

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## 7.77

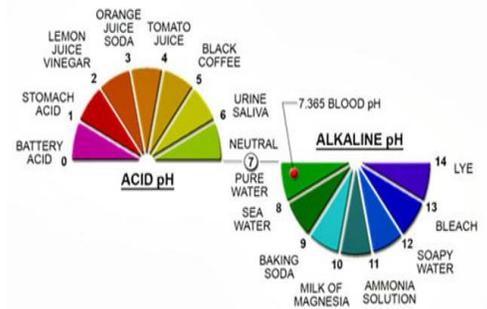


I have discovered a connection to the number 7, which is God's favorite number, that could be the secret to perfect health. Follow me.

After the Flood and Noah, God set the length of mans life at 120 years old. I don't know anyone that has even come close to that and I have never heard of anyone making it past 116. Why is that? Like I said God's favorite number is the number 7. The first verse of the Bible there are 7 words. God's Name is 7 letters. 7 days of Creation. 7 days in a week. 7 primary colors in a rainbow. 7 Musical notes. 7 Continents, 7 metals of antiquity, 7 columns on the periodic table of elements. The Bible references the number 7 or combinations of it hundreds of times.

Fast forward to 2018 and a new revelation has come forward, tying God's time limit to 120 years and why.

Science developed a scale measuring acid/alkaline, pH. Acid is 1pH and alkaline is 14pH. Neutral is 7pH. A persons blood is 7.365pH. ALL disease happens when a persons body pH is below 7. Most all modern foods AND water are below 7pH. As it turns out God's perfect health level is 7.77pH. pH has been known for decades. No one has made the connection and no one, until recently, has even tried to go above 7pH. Understand the significance. ALL diseases seem to happen when a body pH goes below 6 pH. Above 7pH ALL disease and ailments vanish. Making it to 7.77pH almost guarantees perfect health. Short of broken bones, cuts, scrapes and bruises. So the question remains, can we get to 7.77? The secret to live to 120, in November!



Joseph Laberge

## Church and School Picnic

Heartfelt  
**THANKS**  
TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!

Our picnic was a success even though we had a downpour and we got drenched! I want to send a big **THANK YOU** to Jackie Elmore for helping with set up and clean up, also to Brett Stone and Carl Stuehrenberg for cooking the hamburgers and hot dogs, and to everyone who brought the side dishes and desserts. Also want to thank **EVERYONE** that helped with the serving of the food and making sure our serving plates were kept full of hot dogs and hamburgers. Thank you to all who helped with the clean up. Irene

October 2018

**Thank You**

**From the Elder's Corner:**



I have long operated under the premise that we fail to say "**Thank You**" to those who give us great service week after week. With that thought in mind, I wish to acknowledge a group of people whose hard work make worship at Good Shepherd possible. It all seems so simple; we walk into church, take our seats, the organ begins playing, Jelena lights the candles, and away we go!

In reality, however, a large group of people put in countless hours to make our worship service happen.

The **Greeters, Welcoming Committee, and Ushers** are the first folks that worshippers see when they enter the church. The **Van drivers** give of their time and talents to provide transportation to those are not able to get to church on their own. Then we are treated to music provided by our **Organists**, Connie Van Fossan and Evelyn Johnson. Without these talented ladies, we'd have to sing a cappella.....not a good sound for Lutherans! Once in awhile, we have **Special Music** also provided by one of our talented members also. Jelena then lights the candles, and we are ready for **Pastor Bruce** to conduct our **Worship** and deliver his inspiring Sermons. The **Lectors** share the Old Testament and Epistle reading from the Pulpit, and the **Elders** assist Pastor Bruce in sharing Communion with the Congregation. We have the Hall boys, Rickey, Corey, and Eddie, and Bill Makey, and others, whose talents include running and maintaining the **Soundbooth** that so enhances our services. Keith Werden records the services and produces the **CD's** to give to those people who need them.

In the **Office**, our multi-talented secretary, Debbie Hall, produces the **Bulletins, Newsletters, and Videos**, as well as a variety of other tasks. Backing up Debbie, we have Elaine Bray, Betty Kogok, and others. These members cover a large variety of major and minor tasks and are always available for whatever needs doing. The **Altar Guild** works in the background, keeping the paraments clean and organized, flowers and plants fresh, and the elements set up and maintained for **Communion**. The **Security** staff keeps the services orderly and safe. Jackie Elmore makes sure that there is coffee for a quick catch-up time for members to chat. At the end of each service, the **Offering Counters** go to work to count, record, and deposit the offerings. All done in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that you may Worship Him on a Sunday Morning!



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Those are just a few of the **Volunteers** who give of their time to make **Sunday Worship Services** happen. Others are here during the week working on the grounds, maintaining the facility, and doing what needs to be done, whether it's paying the bills, keeping the AC running, producing the Newsletter, visiting the shut-ins. Many other **Outreach** ministries come out of this church also, from the **Early Learning Center, Bible Studies, Food Pantry, Grandparent Program, Quilting Ministry, Jobs Program, Youth Program, Prayer Chains, Outreach at Titus Nites**, and others. All of those require the dedication and love of our volunteers, and I apologize for not being able to remember them all. But know that we are saying **"Thank You"** for your part in keeping the ministries of this church alive! The Lord says to do what you do in secret, so that you don't do good works in order to be seen, but we need to say thank you to one another also!

God's blessings to you until next month.  
Dick Steller



**October 28, 2018 - 11:00 AM  
OCTOBERFEST**

Come join us for a Fall celebration! Church, family and friends. Everybody is welcome!

There is a sign-up sheet to make and bring your favorite German/side dish.

Brats and Dogs will be furnished

The day starts with 1 service at 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary and ends with a great meal and wonderful friendship's in Shepherd's Hall.



Mark your calendar and plan to be there. A great time will sure be had by all! Don't worry if you cannot make a dish. We will make sure there is plenty of food for all.